

Sec. 23-105. Discharge permit required; issuance; conditions.

(a) *Permit required.* Any person desiring to deposit or discharge any industrial waste or other pollutant into the sanitary sewerage system or any person now discharging any industrial waste or other pollutant into the sanitary sewerage system shall make application to the approving authority. The approving authority will approve such application and issue a permit to discharge only when satisfactory evidence is submitted by the applicant to the approving authority that the discharge of such industrial waste or other pollutants is in full compliance with this article.

(b) *Application.* Persons seeking a permit shall complete and file with the approving authority an application in the form prescribed by the city. The applicant shall submit, where appropriate:

(1) The name, address and telephone number of the applicant and the owner of the premises from which industrial wastes are intended to be discharged.

(2) Daily average volume of wastewater to be discharged.

(3) Schedule of all industrial process waste flows produced before and after pretreatment, if any, at the premises, including the daily volume, and wastewater constituents and characteristics as determined by representative samples and analyses done by a qualified laboratory acceptable to the approving authority and in accordance with 40 CFR 136 and amendments thereto.

(4) Estimated time and duration of discharge within a 20 percent tolerance.

(5) Estimated hourly peak wastewater flow rates, including daily, monthly and seasonal variations within a 20 percent tolerance.

(6) Site and plumbing plans describing any pretreatment facilities and showing all connections to the sewerage system.

(7) A description of activities, facilities and plant processes on the premises, including all process waste materials which are or could be discharged, but excluding proprietary information concerning processes and products.

(8) Type or classes of products produced.

(9) The average number of employees and normal hours of work.

(10) Any other relevant information as may be deemed by the approving authority to be necessary to evaluate the permit application.

(c) *Failure to apply for permit.* The responsibility for filing an application for a permit to discharge shall rest upon the person discharging or proposing to discharge industrial waste or other pollutants to the sanitary sewerage system. Should such person fail to file an application for a permit to discharge and should such person then be discharging any industrial waste or other pollutant to the sanitary sewerage system, the approving authority shall, after 24 hours' notice has been given, cause such person's water service from the public water system to be discontinued, and water service will be restored at such person's expense only after he has complied with the provisions of this article. If such person does not use water exclusively from the public water system, the approving authority shall, after 24 hours' notice has been given, cause such person's connection to the sanitary sewerage system to be severed, and such connection will be restored at such person's expense only after he has complied with the provisions this article.

(d) *Discharging waste prior to obtaining permit.* Should any person discharging or proposing to discharge any industrial waste or other pollutant into the sanitary sewerage system file an application with the approving authority for a permit to discharge and should such person then be discharging any industrial waste or other pollutant to the sanitary sewerage system, the approving authority shall, after 24 hours' notice has been given, cause such person's water

service from the public water system to be discontinued, and water service will be restored at such person's expense only after he has complied with the provisions of this article. If such person does not use water exclusively from the public water system, the approving authority shall, after 24 hours' notice has been given, cause such person's connection to the sanitary sewerage system to be severed, and such connection will be restored at such person's expense only after he has complied with the provisions of this article.

(e) *Compliance with discharge standards.* All permit holders shall make wastewater acceptable under the limitations established in this article and in their individual permits before discharging directly or indirectly into any part of the sewerage system. For existing industrial discharges, an appropriate compliance schedule may be included in the permit.

(f) *Compliance with permit conditions.* No permit holder shall discharge industrial wastewaters in excess of the quantity, rate of discharge, or quality conditions specified in the permit. Any person desiring to modify his discharge in a manner which would violate conditions of his permit shall notify the approving authority in advance of such discharge and shall apply for an amended permit.

(g) *Issuance.* The approving authority will evaluate the data furnished by the applicant and may require additional information. A proposed permit may be issued within 60 days after all data has been furnished to and accepted by the approving authority. The applicant shall then be allowed a 30-day comment period. Upon the expiration of the comment period, or upon the expiration of 90 days from the date the data has been furnished and accepted, the approving authority shall issue or deny a permit. A permit may contain appropriate restrictions that are more stringent than requirements and limitations set forth in this article; in such case such restrictions shall apply. Issuance of a permit shall not relieve the discharger from complying with all applicable laws, regulations and ordinances promulgated by other government authority, nor shall the issuance of a permit be construed as a representation by the city that the discharge permitted therein complies with all of such laws, regulations and ordinances.

(h) *Restrictions.* The restrictions in permits shall be uniformly enforced by the city, and may include but shall not be limited to the following:

- (1) The maximum permissible concentration or mass of wastewater constituents.
- (2) Limits on rate and time of discharge, or requirements for flow regulation and equalization.
- (3) Requirements for inspection, flow metering and sampling facilities, and alternative sampling methods.
- (4) Pretreatment of industrial wastewater before discharge.
- (5) Provisions for intentional diversion of waste streams from any portion of the pretreatment facility.
- (6) Specifications for monitoring programs, which may include sampling locations, frequency and method of sampling, flow metering, number, types and standards for tests, and reporting schedule.
- (7) Prohibition of discharge of certain wastewater constituents.
- (8) Requirement for submission of periodic discharge reports, to include information concerning volume, rate of flow, constituent concentrations, peak flow rates, hours of operation, number of employees or other information.
- (9) Requirements for the protection of the sewerage system.
- (10) Other conditions as deemed appropriate by the approving authority to ensure compliance with this article.

(i) *Term.* Permits shall be issued for any specified period of time, not to exceed five years.

(j) *Separate permit required for each connection; transfer of permit.* A separate permit shall be required for each wastewater connection discharging directly or indirectly into the sewerage system. For each discharger having multiple connections at a single plant or facility, a single permit shall be required which may set forth specific effluent limitations and conditions for discharge from each separate connection. No permit is transferable.

(k) *Pretreatment facilities.* Any facilities required for pretreatment or equalization of wastewater prior to discharge into the sewerage system shall be provided and maintained at the permit holder's expense. Where pretreatment or equalization of wastewater flows is required by the approving authority, plans, specifications and other pertinent data or information relating to such pretreatment or flow control facilities shall be filed with the approving authority prior to the construction thereof. Plans and specifications for industrial pretreatment facilities must also be submitted to the state department of health and environmental control, industrial wastewater division, for review and approval prior to construction. Neither filing of the plans nor the issuance of a permit shall be construed to indicate that the approving authority in any way vouches for or warrants the capabilities of any such plans, specifications or data in any manner. Subsequent alterations or additions to such pretreatment or flow control facilities shall not be made without prior notice to the approving authority.

(l) *Surveys.* For the purpose of maintaining an accurate, up-to-date industrial user inventory, the city may, at its discretion, require the submittal of a survey questionnaire from any nondomestic discharger.

(Code 1979, § 5-3004)